

WORD FROM THE SEAT OF WAR

A RUSSIAN WARSHIP SUNK

WON'T INVESTIGATE POSTAL FRAUDS

St. Petersburg, April 12.—A Port Arthur dispatch states that torrential rains have temporarily interrupted telegraphic communication. Grand Duke Boris arrived at Port Arthur today. On the night of Easter Sunday, in anticipation of a Japanese attack, Admiral Makaroff passed aboard a guard boat. During the night service the church windows were covered to prevent the enemy from seeing the lights. The Russian fleet has just returned from a cruise far out to sea.

St. Petersburg, April 12.—An officer on the official staff this morning stated that New Russia is in a perfect state of defense. The city is impregnable except for a long siege. The earthworks are so perfectly arranged that a surprise by land is rendered impossible, while a sea attack is to a large degree precluded by countless mines and torpedoes. General Pflug telegraphs from Mukden that there is no truth in the report that the Japanese have crossed the Yalu and had a skirmish with the Russians.

Rome, April 12.—A Tokio dispatch states that the Japanese minister of marine has arranged for ten more warships to be placed at the disposal of Admiral Togo to cover a large radius of action.

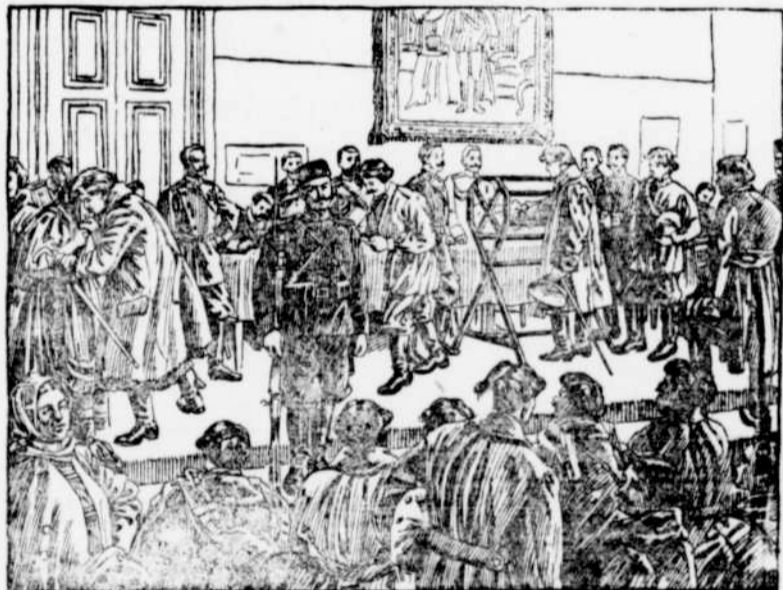
St. Petersburg, April 12.—The Czar reviewed the horseguards at the armory this morning and drank to the health of the regiment. He addressed the men in encouraging words.

Japanese Squadron Sighted.

St. Petersburg, April 12.—An official dispatch from Port Arthur this morning reports that the Japanese squadron appeared on the horizon off Port Arthur this morning but did not approach the fortifications, and proceeded apparently in the direction of New Chwang.

Last Sad Rites.

Tokio, April, 13.—The last rites over the body of Commander Hirose who was killed March 27, in the



RUSSIAN CONSCRIPTS DRAWING LOTS.

second attempt to bottle up Port Arthur were held today. Throngs of people uncovered as the cortege passed. The coffin was borne on a gun carriage with a full military naval guard. The medals of the dead hero were carried on a silken pillow.

WAR MAY END THIS SUMMER

London, April 13.—Labouche, in the newspaper Truth today, quotes a Russian friend as stating that the impression in Russia is that the war with Japan will be ended the coming summer. This friend is further quoted as saying that a fight with England over the Tibetan expedition is not considered impossible.

Twenty Russians Killed.

Tokio, April 13.—A Wiju dispatch states that a company of Russian troops attempted to cross the Yalu west of town this morning. A company of Japanese drove them back. Twenty Russians are known to have been killed. They belonged to the Twelfth regiment of sharpshooters. Several other Russian parties have been repulsed in an attempt to cross the river.

Maura Improving.

Barcelona, April 13.—Premier Maura's condition is progressing favorably. Several machinists have been arrested as accomplices of the premier's assassins.

RAN INTO SUBMARINE MINE

All On Board Except Four Officers Went Down.

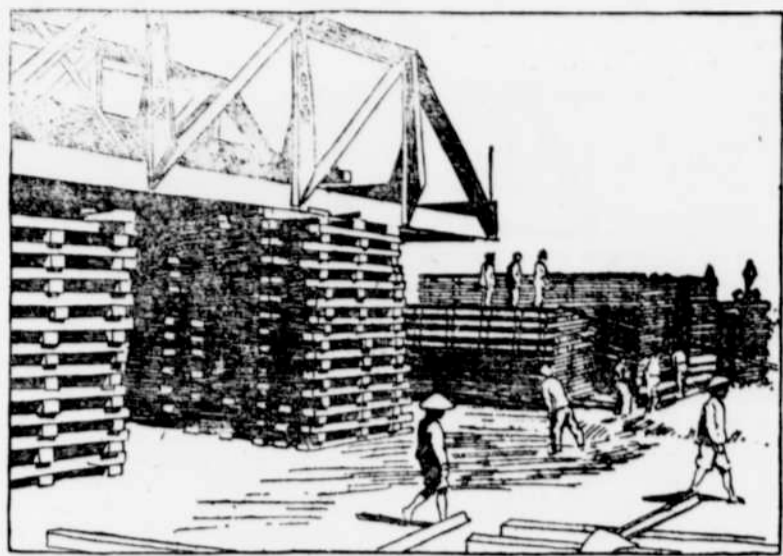
Battleship Petropovlovsk Was the Unlucky Vessel.

Reported That Admiral Makaroff Was Among the Seven Hundred Who Lost Their Lives.

Berlin, April 13.—A semi-official telegram received here today states that the Russian battleship Peropavlovsk has been sunk off Port Arthur. Four officers, including Grand Duke Cyril, the Czar's cousin, were wounded. Another private message from Port Arthur adds that two other ships were seriously damaged. The Petropavlovsk is reported destroyed by a torpedo. All on board the ship were lost with the exception of the four officers, including Cyril. These were wounded.

St. Petersburg, April 13.—It is now announced that seven hundred are dead, including Vice Admiral Makaroff, as a result of the sinking of the battleship Petropavlovsk by contact with a mine. The battleship was returning from a cruise.

St. Petersburg, April 13.—Grand



RAPID BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION IN MANCHURIA.

ors escaped from the ill-fated vessel, in addition to the officers mentioned. Grand Duke Cyril's escape is described as miraculous. Although seriously wounded he swam ashore. First reports that other ships were injured are not confirmed. The Czar has dispatched a courier to Madame Makaroff to convey his condolence.

St. Petersburg, April 13.—5 p. m.—The latest official dispatches state that a battle still continues off Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, April 13.—An official dispatch from Port Arthur this evening states that the Japanese fleet, after a battle with the Russian ships and forts all day today, has retired and now is stationed at Liatsshan, to the south of Port Arthur.

BODY OF JAPS ANNIHILATED

Land Skirmishes Between the Russians and Japanese.

St. Petersburg, April 13.—An official dispatch confirms Gen. Kuro-

small bodies of Japanese and Russians on the tenth on the banks of the Yalu, received today, states that a lieutenant and five marines were sent in a Korean fishing boat to reconnoiter about the mouth of the river. They sighted seven Russian cavalrymen on a Chinese junk, and attacked them. The Russians were reinforced, but were finally driven back, losing one killed and two wounded. The report apparently concerns the same fight noted in Kurapatkin's statement, with the difference that the latter stated the Japs' boat was sunk and all on board were lost.

Poles Fleeing.

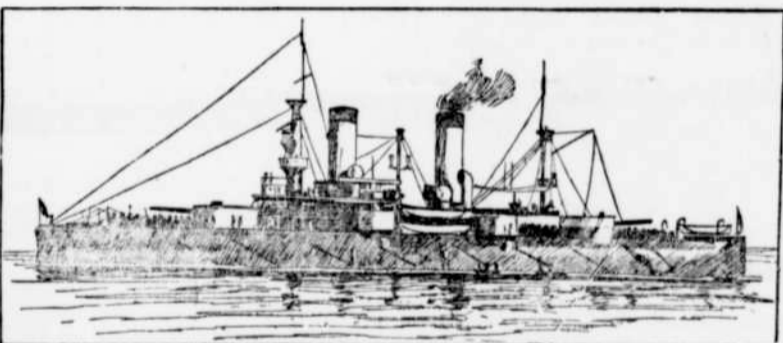
Berlin, April 13.—Fifty-five hundred Poles, fleeing from Russia, have arrived at Posen, in an endeavor to evade conscription.

This Sounds Different.

Chefoo, April 13.—A private dispatch from Port Arthur states that the Japanese attacked Port Arthur this morning. The full Russian fleet under Makaroff went out to meet the Japanese and aided by the forts drove the attackers off.

India Must Pay War Bills.

London, April 13.—In the House of Commons today War Secretary Broderick moved a resolution approv-



RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP PETROPAVLOVSK. Sunk by a Sub-Marine Mine off Port Arthur.

patkin's report of the annihilation of a body of fifty Japanese scouts, and adds details of the Japanese movements. The Japs had been entering opposite Chahedisi, disguised as Koreans, spreading along the river as far as Pomahonba. In the second dispatch Kashtalovski reported that on the night of the eleventh a suspicious looking boat approached the mouth of the river Laohoe. After several shots were fired they put out their lights and retired. At the beginning of the cannonade seven junks put out from the right bank of the river, but when fired at retired.

Tokio, April 13.—An official account of the skirmish between two

ing the application of the revenue of India to defray the expenses of any military operations necessary beyond the frontier. The purpose is for protecting the political mission sent to Thibet.

Jews Seeking Refuge.

Berlin, April 13.—Fifty Jewish families numbering four hundred persons who fled from Lompalanka, Bulgaria, as the result of the anti-Semite outbreak, have sought refuge at Widdin. They were driven out and wandered to Kalafat, Roumania. Here they were again ordered away and are now bivouacking on the Roumanian bank of the Danube in a pitiable state, bordering on famine.



Daily Paper: "The Korean government has decided to preserve a strict neutrality in the war between Japan and Russia."—London Punch.

ADMIRAL MAKAROFF KILLED

Was on the ill Fated BattleShip Petropavlovsk.

He Was the Heart of Russian Aggression at Port Arthur--His Loss Cannot Be Estimated

London, April 13.—The loss of Admiral Makaroff by his being killed in the blowing up of the battleship Petropavlovsk is a blow that can hardly be estimated. He was the very heart of Russian aggression at Port Arthur. Up to the time of assuming direction the Russian warships crouched shivering under the guns of Port Arthur, waiting a renewal of the Japanese intermittent attacks, and when they came spluttered back in a blind way. In place of this Admiral Makaroff actually assumed the offensive. On the night of March 10th he sent six torpedo boats to sea to look for the Japanese warships. These met the enemy and maintained a hot fight, each side losing a torpedo boat. Observing his torpedo boat foundering, Makaroff went out with two cruisers to face the entire Japanese fleet, but too late to be of any assistance. Such action is a perfect index of his work since, infusing new life into the dry bones of Port Arthur.

London, April 13.—A rumor originating in Paris has it that Admiral Makaroff, commanding the Russian sea forces at Port Arthur, has been



A VIEW OF DALNY FROM THE SEA.

captured by the Japanese, but it has not been confirmed.

London, April 13.—In travel circles it is pointed out that there is considerable possibility of the reported capture of Admiral Makaroff at Port Arthur. Recent reports state that Makaroff has been making sorties from Port Arthur in small boats doing scout duty. A possibility is that the Japs allowed the admiral to grow over-confident and have intercepted him. Makaroff being the hero of the hour at Port Arthur, his capture, if confirmed, will be a sad blow to Russia.

A Big Oil Field Fire.

Batum, Russia, April 12.—A destructive fire is raging in the Roman district at Bakku. Sixteen oil wells are burning furiously.

Railway Barns Burned.

Buffalo, N.Y., April 12.—The barns of the International Street Railway, covering a block, were burned this morning. The loss is \$200,000, fully insured. Probably incendiary.

Drunken Juror Trouble

Washington, April 13.—Owing to the charge of drunkenness during a trial made this morning against one of the jurors in the case of J. M. A. Watson, alleged embezzler of \$73,000 from the office of the district auditor, Justice Pritchard dismissed the jury and ordered another panel, holding Juror Orrian, the offender, for contempt.

Washington, April 12.—By a strict party vote of 40 to 19 the senate today laid on the table Gorman's amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill, providing for the appointment of a joint congressional committee of eight members to investigate the postoffice department.

Washington, April 12.—In the senate this afternoon Teller offered an amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill for the appointment of a committee of five to investigate the postoffice department. Like the Gorman resolution, it was defeated, 35 to 15.

Hobson's Close Race.

Birmingham, Alabama, April 12.—Election returns this morning reduce Congressman Bankhead's majority. Hobson's supporters have not given up. Bankhead's apparent majority is 475.

Pacific Coast Steamer Ashore.

Panama, April 12.—The steamer Colon, from San Francisco to Panama, is ashore at Point Remedios, on the coast of Salvador. All aboard are safe. The vessel is believed to be a total loss.

Strike Averted.

Chicago, April 12.—A threatened strike in the Swift packing house was averted this morning, the company acceding to the demands of the men and reinstatement of the discharged butchers.

Kansas Populists.

Topeka, Kas., April 12.—The Populist state convention organized this morning with A. M. Harvey as temporary chairman. His speech favored the nomination of only a portion of the state ticket. The convention adjourned until August 3d to await the action of the Democrats. Opposition to adjournment was strong.

Bad Fire in Detroit.

Detroit, April 13.—Fire starting in the varnish room of the Cadillac Automobile Works, fed by gasoline, destroyed one of the largest plants of

its kind in the country this morning. The loss will be half a million. The workmen were injured in escaping from the building. The firm had \$3,000,000 worth of orders on hand.

A Tug Sank.

Manistee, Mich., April 12.—The tug Frank Canfield sank off Point St Ignace last night. Captain Smith, Engineer Kopka and Helper Justman were drowned.

Egbert Smyth Dead.

Andover, Mass., April 13.—Egbert Smyth, professor of ecclesiastical history at the Andover theological seminary, died from heart disease today. Sixteen years ago he and five others were tried for heresy but were acquitted. A brother, Frederick lives in California.

General Toral Dead.

Madrid, April 12.—General Toral, who commanded the Spanish land forces at Santiago de Cuba, when the latter surrendered to the Americans died in an insane asylum at Leganes this morning. His insanity was caused by brooding over his capitulation.

Salt Lake Water Accident.

Salt Lake, April 13.—The junction of nine water mains at the new Mann street burst this morning, lifting the street car tracks and paving stones, and flooding the business district and several basements. The rush of water undermined historic landmarks and a monument of King Ben Young and the pioneers.